## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN THE APPLICATION OF

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For: Full Mesh Optical Backplane

Group Art Unit: 2874

Examiner: Chandrika Prasad

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Sir:

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## RESPONSE

We reply to Office Action dated February 11, 2003.

Kindly amend the title of the invention to: Full Mesh Optical Backplane.

Kindly amend page 15,

line 2, change numeral "7" to numeral --17--;

line 4, change numeral "15" to numeral --18--; and last line, change numeral "20" to numeral --18--.

Kindly amend page 16,

Line 4, change numeral "20" to numeral --18--.

Amended pages 15 and 16 follow as pages 3 and 4 of this response.

Amend claims 1-7, and 11-22 as detailed on pages 5-13 of this response. Pages 5-13 set out the amendments to and status of pending claims 1-22.

A new abstract is submitted herewith on separate page 14 of this response.

An amended drawing is also attached with changes noted under the remarks portion of this response.

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